

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	<b>Mail Stop AMENDMENT</b>
Fabrizio Alessandro Maspero et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 3775
Application No.: 10/840,041	)	Examiner: Anuradha Ramana
Filed: May 6, 2004	)	Confirmation No.: 7765
For: BIOCOMPATIBLE BONE IMPLANT	)	
COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS	)	
FOR REPAIRING A BONE DEFECT	)	

**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 29, 2009, please amend the  
above-identified patent application as follows: